

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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DANIEL ALWEISS,

Plaintiff,

v.

CITY OF SACRAMENTO; MARIO  
LARA; SHANNON BROWN; CHRIS  
CONLIN; TERESA HAENGGI;  
UNNAMED CITY OF SACRAMENTO  
POLICE OFFICERS NOS. 1-3;  
LARRY K. JOYNER; ST. PAUL  
CHURCH OF GODCHRIST; FIRST  
STEP HOUSING; and DOES 1-25,

Defendants.

No. 2:21-cv-02095-WBS-DB

ORDER REFERRING CASE TO VDRP AND  
STAYING PROCEEDINGS

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The parties have agreed that this case is appropriate for an early settlement conference through the court's Voluntary Dispute Resolution Program ("VDRP"). (Docket No. 27 at 4-5.) Accordingly, the court will refer the action to VDRP.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. Within fourteen (14) days of this Order, the

1 parties shall contact the court's VDRP administrator, Sujean  
2 Park, at (916) 930-4278 or SPark@caed.uscourts.gov, to start the  
3 process of selecting an appropriate neutral. The parties shall  
4 carefully review and comply with Local Rule 271, which outlines  
5 the specifications and requirements of the VDRP.


6 2. Any party that objects to this referral to the  
7 VDRP shall file its objections within seven (7) days of this  
8 Order. Such objections shall clearly outline why that party  
9 believes that the action is not appropriate for referral to the  
10 VDRP.

11 3. To avoid the unnecessary expenditure of costs and  
12 attorneys' fees, this action is hereby stayed to provide the  
13 parties time to complete the VDRP session. No later than five  
14 (5) days after completion of the VDRP session, the parties shall  
15 file a joint statement indicating whether a settlement was  
16 reached.

17 4. The parties shall complete the VDRP session no  
18 later than September 19, 2022. The court hereby resets the  
19 Status (Pretrial Scheduling) Conference for October 24, 2022. If  
20 a settlement is not reached through VDRP, the parties shall  
21 submit an Amended Joint Status Report no later than October 11,  
22 2022.

23 IT IS SO ORDERED.

24 Dated: July 11, 2022

  
25 WILLIAM B. SHUBB  
26 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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